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SUBJECT: NEW YORK TIMES SUMMARY, JULY 17

1. HIGHLIGHTS. NYTIMES FEATURES NIXON WIRED HIS PHONE AND OFFICES TO RECORD ALL CONVERSATIONS, SENATORS WILL SEEK THE TAPES; ALSO SEPARATE STORY, TAPINGS IN JOHNSON ERA BOTH ALLEGED AND DENIED; ALSO KALMBACH TELLS HOW HE RAISED 220,000 FOR WATERGATE GROUP; ALSO FIVE TOP OFFICIALS OF WALL STREET FIRM INDICTED ON FRAUD, CONSPIRACY TO FALSIFY BOOKS AT WEIS SECURITIES CHARGED BY GRAND JURY.

1A. TIMES ALSO FRONTPAGES PENTAGON CONFIRMS PRE-1970 RAIDS ON CAMBODIA, SCHLESINGER ACKNOWLEDGING SECRET ATTACKS. TIMES PUTS ROGERS TOKYO STORY ON PAGE 62; WASHSTAR LATE EDITION HAD STORY ON ROGERS-KISSINGER.

1B. INSIDE TIMES HAS SAIGON GIVES OFFSHORE OIL RIGHTS TO FOUR FIRMS: MOBIL, EXXON, SHELL, SUNNINGDALE; ALSO LON NOL UNCLASSIFIED

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DECLINES REPORTED NIXON INVITATION; MOSCOW STORY, SOVIET VOWS AID AS HANOI CHIEFS DEPART; WASHINGTON, AFSA DECLINES TO CALL GODLEY CASE A REPRISAL. TIMES ALSO HAS SADAT ACCUSES US OF SEEKING DELAY IN UN DEBATE, WITH UN TRAILER,

US DENIES DELAY; ALSO LIBYA HINTS SHE WILL SEIZE US AND OTHER EMBASSIES. TIMES HAS COMMENT ON SUNDRY TOPICS.

2. ROGERS. TIMES HEADS TRUMBULL, JAPAN URGES US TO EXERCISE MORE DISCIPLINE IN ECONOMY, TRUMBULL REPORTS OHIRA ADMONISHED ROGERS AND OTHER HIGH-LEVEL US OFFICIALS ON FLAWS IN MANAGEMENT OF US ECONOMY AS SEEN BY JAPANESE. IN KIND OF SPEECH JAPANESE USED TO HEAR FROM AMERICANS, OHIRA URGED WASHINGTON WIELD MORE DISCIPLINE OVER AMERICAN ECONOMY, PROMOTE EXPORTS TO JAPAN MORE VIGOROUSLY AND REFRAIN FROM FURTHER CURBS ON IMPORTS. OHIRA ALSO ASKED US GOVERNMENT TO ASSURE JAPAN STABLE SUPPLY OF KEY COMMODITIES FOR WHICH JAPANESE HAVE LONG DEPENDED UPON US. ROGERS AND OTHERS RESPONDED WITH VARIOUS PROPOSALS FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. ROGERS DEPARTED FROM PREPARED TEXT TO DECLARE EXPORT CONTROLS IMPOSED TO COMPENSATE FOR HUGE OUTFLOWS REFLECTING SEVERE SHORTFALL IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION OUTSIDE US WOULD BE SHORTLIVED. ROGERS DECLARED QUOTE THIS MATTER SHOULD NOT BE SOURCE CONTINUING TENSION BETWEEN US UNQUOTE. IN CLOSED SESSION OF CONFERENCE ROGERS PROPOSED JOINT JAPANESE AMERICAN APPROACH TO WORLD CRISIS IN ENERGY FUELS. ROGERS PUT FORTH FIVE-POINT PLAN INCLUDING COOPERATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES PROTECTING AND CONSUMING FUELS, LIMITS TO COMPETITIVENESS BETWEEN PURCHASING COUNTRIES, JOINT MEASURES TO COPE WITH FUEL SHORTAGES, MULTI-NATIONAL EFFORTS TO EXPAND OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION IN SOVIET UNION AND ELSEWHERE, AND POOLING OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. ROGERS STATED US WOULD ENCOURAGE AMERICAN CONCERNS TO CONSIDER JOINT VENTURES WITH JAPANESE COMPANIES IN DEVELOPING ENERGY RESOURCE IN SUCH AREAS AS SIBERIA, AND WOULD MAKE US TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE TO JAPAN IN DEVELOPING MULTINATIONAL URANIUM ENRICHMENT PLANT. ROGERS TOLD JAPANESE QUOTE OUR ACTIONS WILL INFLUENCE WHETHER TOMORROW'S ENERGY WORLD IS ORDERLY AND SECURE OR ABRASIVE AND CHAOTIC UNQUOTE.

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2A. LATE EDITION MONDAY WASHSTAR HAD CHICAGO DAILY NEWS TOKYO STORY STRESSING KISSINGER HIMSELF WAS A SOURCE OF RECENT REPORT HE WILL REPLACE SECSTATE ROGERS NEXT FALL, ACCORDING SOURCES CLOSE TO ROGERS, BUT ROGERS HAS REFUSED COMMENT. STORY SAYS A STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL ACCOMPANYING ROGERS SAID: HENRY WANTS THE JOB, ALL RIGHT; BUT HE'S PROBABLY TELLING THE TRUTH WHEN HE SAYS THE PRESIDENT HASN'T DISCUSSED THE MATTER WITH HIM; THE REASON IS THAT HENRY HASN'T HAD THE GUTS TO ASK NIXON FOR THE JOB. STORY ADDS STATE DEPARTMENT SOURCES CONCEDED THERE WAS PERSONALITY CONFLICT BETWEEN ROGERS, AN OLD FRIEND OF NIXON, AND KISSINGER WHOSE SPECTACULAR ONE-MAN DIPLOMATIC COUPS HAVE THRUST THE SECRETARY INTO THE BACKGROUND, STORY ADDING THESE SOURCES CONCEDED THAT

KISSINGER HAD DONE A GOOD JOB, ESPECIALLY IN EXPLAINING

AWAY NIXON'S WARLIKE IMAGE TO THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS BUT THEY ASSERTED THAT MOST OF KISSINGER'S IDEAS ORIGINATED IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT, ONE OFFICIAL SAYING: ONE REASON KISSINGER WANTS THE SECRETARY'S JOB IS TO GET OUT FROM UNDER THE SHADOW OF WATERGATE, STORY ADDING KISSINGER HAS ADMITTED BUGGING TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS OF HIS STAFF AND READING THE TRANSCRIPTS IN A WHITE HOUSE DRIVE TO PLUG NEWS LEAKS.

3. AFSA. GWERTZMAN ARTICLE, WASHINGTON, PAGE 6, REPORTS AFSA TOOK MIDDLE POSITION BETWEEN ADMINISTRATION AND SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OVER REJECTION OF NIXON NOMINEE FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE. AT BOARD MEETING, AFSA REFUSED ENDORSE ADMINISTRATION VIEW THAT REJECTION OF GODLEY WAS ACT RETRIBUTION FOR LOYAL CARRYING OUT OF POLICIES AS AMBASSADOR TO LAOS. BUT IN STATEMENT ISSUED AFTER MEETING AFSA ALSO SAID REJECTION HAD GENERATED CONCERN IN FOREIGN SERVICE AND SOUGHT CLARIFICATION FROM COMMITTEE. ACCORDING TO SOME OF 40 PARTICIPANTS IN MEETING, WIDE RANGE OF VIEWS EXPRESSED; SOME CAREER OFFICERS WANTED ACTION OF COMMITTEE CONDEMNED; OTHERS SAID COMMITTEE HAD BEEN JUSTIFIED. DISCUSSION SEEMED MIRROR DISAGREEMENT WITHIN STATE OVER SIGNIFICANCE OF GODLEY REJECTION, SAYS GWERTZMAN, SOME SENIOR OFFICERS UNCLASSIFIED

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ARGUED COMMITTEE INDULGING IN KIND OF NEO-MCCARTHYISM. BUT MANY OFFICERS PARTICULARLY AT MIDDLE AND JUNIOR LEVELS CONTENTED COMMITTEE WAS JUSTIFIED IN REJECTING ON POLICY GROUNDS ANYONE IT WANTED TO REJECT FOR POLICY-MAKING POSITION. THESE OFFICERS DENY MCCARTHYISM BECAUSE COMMITTEE SAID IT WOULD SUPPORT GODLEY'S NOMINATION TO ANY POST OUTSIDE SOUTHEAST ASIA. AFSA DECIDED SEEK CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S MOTIVES IN REJECTING GODLEY NOMINATION AND ABOVE ALL REQUESTED ASSURANCES THAT COMMITTEE WILL NOT REJECT FUTURE CAREER NOMINEES BECAUSE OF THEIR RECORD OF CARRYING OUT POLICIES LAID DOWN BY ADMINISTRATION THAT HAPPENS TO BE IN OFFICE AT TIME.

4. MIDEAST. NYTIMES HAS BEIRUT SPECIAL REPORTING SADAT TOLD CAIRO MEETING US IS TRYING TO BRING ABOUT POSTPONEMENT OF SECURITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF MIDEAST IN FAVOR OF ITS PROPOSAL FOR NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN EGYPT ISRAEL ON RE-OPENING SUEZ CANAL, SADAT ADDING HE HAD INSTRUCTED EL ZAYYAT TO REJECT ALL BACKSTAGE BARGAINING AND SEEK STRONG SC RESOLUTION EVEN IF US WAS FORCED TO CAST A VETO. SPECIAL ADDS THAT CAIRO PRESS AGENCY, MIDDLE EAST NEWS, DISCLOSED THAT EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT HAD ADVISED WALDHEIM

TO DELAY MIDEAST VISIT UNTIL SC DEBATE WAS COMPLETED.

TIMES TRAILER FROM UN REPORTS SPOKESMAN OF US MISSION DENIED US WAS TRYING TO DELAY START OF RENEWED MIDEAST SESSION, SPOKESMAN ADDING: WE WOULD, OF COURSE, WELCOME PROXIMITY TALKS BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL BUT WE HAVE NOT BEEN HOLDING UP A RESUMPTION OF SECURITY COUNCIL SESSION. STORIES ADD ZAYYAT IS STILL IN PARIS.

4A. TIMES EDITORIALIZES ON NEW JERUSALEM, APPLAUDS ISRAELI EFFORTS TO IMPROVE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND MAINTAIN FREE ACCESS TO HOLY PLACES OF THREE GREAT WORLD RELIGIONS, BUT SAYS PROLIFERATION OF HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS THREATENS TO OVERWHELM ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRITY OF CITY; THERE IS NO TIME TO BE LOST IF JERUSALEM IS TO BE SAVED FROM HIGH-RISE INVASION AND THIS IS MATTER OF WORLD CONCERN.
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5. LIBYA. WASHINGTON AP REPORTS AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI HAS INFORMED STATE DEPARTMENT THAT LIBYAN NEWSPAPERS AND BROADCASTS REPORT THAT SEVERAL EMBASSY BUILDINGS AND ENVOYS' RESIDENCES MIGHT BE TAKEN OVER BY GOVERNMENT BUT AS OF THIS MOMENT THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION FROM LIBYAN GOVERNMENT, SPOKESMAN HARE SAID AT NEWS CONFERENCE. AP ADDS NEWSPAPER REPORTS SAY AFFECTED COUNTRIES ARE: BRITAIN ITALY TURKEY US.

6. VISITS. NYTIMES SCHANBERG PHNOM PENH REPORTS AUTHORITY SOURCES SAYING NIXON SENT LON NOL EARLY THIS MONTH AN INVITATION TO COME TO US FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT BUT THIS WAS DECLINED REPORTEDLY IN BELIEF IT WAS A MOVE TO EASE HIM OUT OF POWER. SCHANBERG ADDS WEYAND RENEWED SUGGESTION LAST WEEK BUT LON NOL IS STILL RESISTING DESPITE MOUNTING PRESSURE IN CAMBODIAN CIRCLES. TIMES INSERTS PARA SAYING STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON REFUSED TO COMMENT IN ANYWAY ON THE REPORT NIXON HAD INVITED LON NOL AND THAT HE HAD DECLINED. SCHANBERG ADDS NIXON INVITATION APPEARS TO REINFORCE REPORTS ATTRIBUTED TO SENIOR OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARED TO ABANDON LON NOL GOVERNMENT IF THAT IS THE PRICE OF A CEASE-FIRE.

6A. UNDER HEADING TIMELY POSTPONEMENT; TIMES EDITORIALY WELCOMES POSTPONEMENT OF BHUTTO VISIT TO AMERICA AS PROBABLY A GOOD THING FOR BOTH PAKISTAN AND US, SAYING IF BHUTTO CAME NOW WASHINGTON OFFICIALS MIGHT HAVE BEEN TEMPTED TO OFFER SOME TOKEN ARMS SHIPMENTS, RISKING OPPOSITION IN CONGRESS AND ANGER IN INDIA TO PLACATE AN OLD ALLY AND MAINTAIN SOME LEVERAGE. BHUTTO WILL BE WELCOME IN SEPTEMBER, ESPECIALLY IF HE DEMONSTRATES DETERMINATION TO MOVE TOWARD PEACE ON SUBCONTINENT.

7. ROSTOW. WALT ROSTOW HAS OP-ED PIECE FOLLOWING RECENT

TOUR OF EUROPE, HOLDING FIRST US PRIORITY IS TO GET ITS
INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTS INTO BALANCE AGAIN; SECOND GET
AGREEMENT ON MILITARY REQUIREMENTS OF NATO, ROSTOW SAYING
WASHINGTON'S DESIRE FOR A FULL OFFSET FOR FOREIGN EXCHANGE
COSTS OF MAINTAINING US FORCES IN EUROPE IS REGARDED
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AS LEGITIMATE BUT NATO MEMBERS SHOW CONSIDERABLE RESENT-
MENT THAT WASHINGTON DOESN'T MAKE SUFFICIENTLY CLEAR TO
AMERICAN PEOPLE THE LARGE EUROPEAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO NATO.
THIRD, ATLANTIC COMMUNITY SHOULD TURN WHOLEHEARTEDLY TO
THE AGENDA OF THE FUTURE: SECURITY AND ECONOMIC NEGOTIA-
TIONS WITH MOSCOW, RECONSTRUCTION OF TRADE AND MONE-
TARY SYSTEM, COMMON ENERGY POLICY.

8. WATERGATE. TIMES APPLE WASHINGTON REPORTS WHITE
HOUSE CONFIRMED THAT NEARLY ALL OF PRESIDENT NIXON'S
MEETINGS AND TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS HAD BEEN SECRETLY
RECORDED SINCE 1971, CITING LETTER FROM BUZHARDT TO ERVIN
WHICH STATED SYSTEM IS SIMILAR TO THAT EMPLOYED BY LAST
ADMINISTRATION AND WHICH HAD BEEN DISCONTINUED FROM 1969
TO EARLY 1971. APPLE SAYS LATTER ASSERTION WAS IMMEDI-
ATELY CHALLENGED BY CALIFANO WHO CALLED BUZHARDT STATE-
MENT A DAMNED OUTRAGEOUS SMEAR ON A DEAD PRESIDENT, AND
BY A SPOKESMAN FOR SECRET SERVICE WHO SAID IT HAD NEVER
DONE SIMILAR WORK FOR ANY OTHER ADMINISTRATION.

8A. FINAL EDITION WASHPOST AND MORNING NEWSCASTS QUOTE
FCC OFFICIAL AS SAYING PRESIDENT'S FAILURE TO USE
BEEPING DEVICE TO WARN PERSONS TO WHOM HE TALKING CON-
STITUTES APPARENT VIOLATION OF FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
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